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Dear Customer,

Thank you for choosing the AirMax console.

The AirMax is designed by specialists in the field of radio broadcast and is intended to be used as a 24-hour "On-Air" - as well as a production - console.

We always value suggestions from our clients, once they have become familiar with their console. We will certainly learn from your comments and very much appreciate your time doing this.

We are confident that you will be using the AirMax for many years to come, and wish you a lot of success.

With kind regards,

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1 Package Contents

The AirMax package comes with the following parts inside.

- 1x AirMax System in the configuration you have ordered.
 - One or more frames containing modules
 - One power cable per frame
 - 25 pins D Sub cable for every frame minus one
 - 37 pins D Sub cable for every frame minus one
 - Optional redundant power supply per frame
 - Optional patch panels
 - Optional RJ45 Shielded cables
- 1x This manual
- 1x AirMax software CD-ROM supporting Win2000/WinXP operating systems
- 1x USB cable

2 Introduction

This manual will give you a detailed explanation of the functionality of the AirMax and all its features. It is advisable to read this manual once before touching any control, or even thinking about hooking up the system.

We know that that is actually the first thing you want to do but please do NOT and discipline yourself to read the manual first.

The manual gives all sorts of valuable information before getting started and it saves you (and us of course) from getting in touch with us for all sorts of questions. You can use this manual later on as a reference.

In the first chapter, we shall give you an overview of the AirMax and its features. In this way, you can have an impression of how to implement the system in your application.

The next chapters will deal with interconnecting the various parts of the system and its external interfacing with your equipment

When installing and wiring the AirMax, you can finalize its interfacing with the instructions in the following chapters.

After installation, you will have a very complete mixer with a human interface that is very logical and intuitive.

3 System Structure

The AirMax is a digitally controlled analogue desktop mixer using the latest, state of the art, digital and analogue technology housed in an 'easy to use' and 'versatile' 19" rack chassis which can easily be mounted drop through in a work surface left or right of your script space.

Purchasing choices are straightforward. There is one welded steel 19" frame with 12 module positions. In total a maximum of 46 input channels and 1 double sized master module can loaded into 4 frames as a maximum. This also includes a maximum of 4 stereo group modules and 8 studio modules. Frames connect with each other by two D Sub connector cables located on the side panels of the frame.

The user interface provides direct intuitive access to all-important functions of the console. The MIC/line modules come in three flavors so there's no need for excessive complexity.

A hybrid and TELCO module are available for communication over a telephone line and bringing calls into the program. Where the hybrid module can be connected directly to the telephone line, the TELCO module has two stereo line in/outputs which can be connected to an external CODEC. As an option, the TELCO module can be supplied to have digital in/outputs also making this module suited to act as a simple digital input module.

The AirMax can be equipped with a maximum of 4 stereo group modules when sub grouping is needed. The upper section lets you control the audio groups. The VCA groups are positioned in the lower section. VCA groups can be used to control cue/on/fader of multiple channels with the touch of just one control. An external fader can be connected to remote control the VCA-Master.

The audio groups have an extra external line input, which makes the AirMax suitable for recording/tape monitoring if ever needed. Different assignments can be made for audio and VCA groups.

With a maximum of 8 studio modules, the AirMax can be deployed in both small and large setups. All studio modules have two phones sections and of course a monitor output. Source selection is built in and also talkback which can be routed to either one of the outputs or to a combination. An extra meter output gives you the option to hook up your own meters instead of using the internal on Screen meters.

Every AirMax system needs one double-sized master module. This module contains two sections. The first section is the program section. This section houses overall gain controls for the two stereo aux busses and the sub bus. Talkback can be switched on for any of these busses and there's also a cue speaker output with it's own gain control. The COMM and CUE reset buttons allow you to instantly reset all activated COMM/CUE switches throughout the console. A master fader is present but can be disabled to suit your needs. The second section of the master module is the CRM section. This section is similar to the studio module.

With the AirMax, we have incorporated a new way of interfacing with studio equipment by use of high quality low cost readily available STP cable, also called shielded RJ45 Ethernet cable. In this way not only a huge amount of inputs/outputs could be created but cabling costs are reduced significantly. One side of the cable is connected to the back of the AirMax frame and the other end is connected to one out of five different path panels. Doing it this way the connectors can be brought to the source resulting in compact and neat cabling.

With a PC connected to the AirMax and using USB cable you can configure all internal settings, remote control the AirMax and even visually monitor output levels on a meter application. Functionality of many GPIO's can be programmed and advanced setup for the communication buss can be made here. The settings can be saved to and loaded from file. In this way, you have the advantage of instant recall of all settings enabling you to customize program and user requirements.

TRIPLE ON-AIR Input Stereo Module



PROG

MIC INSERT

The MIC INSERT led indicates whether a balanced insert is switched in or out of the signal microphone's signal path.

The TRIM control ads an extra 30dB of gain to the MIC pre-amp. An optimal gain range setting can be accomplished in this way.

The GAIN control adjusts the incoming signal level on the MIC and LINE input.

The INPUT switch allows the user to switch input between MIC, LINE A and LINE B. The associated LEDS indicate which input is currently selected.

MONO

The MONO led indicates if the stereo input signal of this module is switched to summed mono output signals.

PROG

The PROG(ram) switch assigns the signal in stereo to the PROG(ram) output.

The SUB switch assigns the signal in stereo to the SUB output.

The AUX1 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 1 bus.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 2 bus.

Allows adjustment between the left and right channel outputs.

COMM

The COMM switch enables communication between this channel and anyone who has access to the COMM bus at the same time.

CUE/SEL

Stereo pre-fade listening allows for pre-fade listening of the channel with the fader closed. In configuration mode this switch is used to program the modules identity.

The PK led acts as a peak led on the input signal.

The linear FADER controls a VCA and thereby the module's overall level.

Channel ON/OFF switch. the associated LED will light when the ON switch is activated.

RIAA Plug-in PCB

Optionally a RIAA Plug-in PCB can be inserted into the signal path of LINE B to connect a gramophone player directly to this input.



4.1 General Purpose Input / Output

The module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All the general-purpose inputs and outputs are under software control used in various ways.

ON, CUE, COMM switches and fader functionality can be set-up to trigger one or multiple GPO's on the module, studio-mutes, red-lights and local or global cue-resets.

GPO's can send out pulse or a continuous signals when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

The module has four GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. By opto-isolated relays the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of **50 V at 200 mA**.

The module has one MIC GPIO containing a MIC-ON output and a control input on 1 stereo jack.

Tip =LED Ring =Switch Sleeve =GND

All these settings are made per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

4.2 Phantom Power / Low Cut

Phantom power and low cut are available for the MIC input. Both can be enabled or disabled separately by changes in jumper settings.

This TRIPLE ON-AIR MODULE has no possibility to control these functions by software!

5 TRIPLE Input Stereo Module



PHANTOM

The PHANTOM button toggles 48V phantom power on and off on the MIC input of this module.

<u>LC</u>

The LC switch toggles the filter on the MIC input on and off. This is a 12 dB per octave low-cut filter at 80 Hz.

MIC INSERT

The MIC INSERT switch positions a balanced insert in or out of the microphone's signal path.

<u>TRIM</u>

The trim control adds an extra 30dB of gain to the MIC pre-amp. An optimal gain range is set in this way.

<u>GAIN</u>

The GAIN control adjusts the incoming signal level on the MIC and LINE input.

INPUT

The INPUT switch allows the user to switch between MIC, LINE A and LINE B. The associated LEDS indicate which input is currently selected.

MONO

The MONO switch can convert an incoming signal into a mono signal or accept one and route it to both outputs of the module. The associated LEDS indicate if mono is currently active and if either left and right inputs are summed, only the left or only the right input signal is routed.

HF

Adjusts high frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 10 kHz shelving.

MF

Adjusts high-mid frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 1 kHz bell curve.

LF

Adjusts the low frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 60 Hz shelving.

<u>EQ</u>

The EQ led indicates whether equalization is on or off.

GROUPS

These leds indicate if and to which stereo GROUP this module is assigned.

PROG

The PROG switch assigns the signal in stereo to the PROG output.

SUB

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ON

The SUB switch assigns the signal in stereo to the SUB output.

AUX1

The AUX1 control adjusts the amount of signal sent to the stereo AUX 1 bus.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the amount of signal sent to the stereo AUX 2 bus.



PAN

Allows adjustment between the left and right channel outputs.

COMM

The COMM switch enables communication between this channel and anyone who has access to the COMM bus at the same time.

VCA

These leds indicate if and by which VCA master this module is currently controlled. The VCA led gives an indication of the amplitude of the VCA control voltage.

CUE/SEL

CUE/SEL allows for pre-fade listening of the channel with the fader closed.

The CUE switch also acts as a SEL(ECT) switch for the assignment of the module to a stereo GROUP or VCA master.

In configuration mode this switch is used to program the modules identity.

PΚ

The PK led acts as a peak led on the input signals.

FADER

The linear fader controls a VCA and thereby the module's overall level.

<u>ON</u>

Channel ON/OFF switch. The associated LED will light when the ON switch is active.

RIAA Plug-in PCB

Optionally a RIAA Plug-in PCB can be inserted into the signal path of LINE B to directly connect a gramophone player to the input.

5.1 General Purpose Input / Output

The module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All general purpose in- and outputs are under software control and used in various ways.

ON, CUE, COMM switches and fader functionality can be set-up to trigger one or multiple GPO's on the module, studio-mutes, red-lights and local or global cue-resets.

GPO's can send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both

The module has four GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. By opto isolated relays the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA.

GPI's can be set up to trigger ON, CUE, Cough/Mute and COMM. GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out by itself.

The module has two GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

The module has one MIC GPIO containing a MIC-ON output and a control input on one stereo jack.

Tip =LED Ring =Switch Sleeve =GND

All these settings are made per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the actual audio source.

6 TRIPLE PRO Input Stereo Module



PHANTOM

The PHANTOM button toggles 48V phantom power on and off on the MIC input of this module.

LC

The LC switch toggles the filter on the MIC input on and off. The filter has a 12 dB per octave low-cut filter at 80 Hz.

MIC INSERT

The MIC INSERT switch positions a balanced INSERT in or out of the microphone's signal path.

TRIM

The TRIM control adds an extra 30dB of gain to the MIC pre-amp. An optimal gain range can be found in this way.

GAIN

The GAIN control adjusts the incoming signal level on the MIC and LINE input.

INPUT

The INPUT switch allows the user to switch input between MIC, LINE A and LINE B. The associated LEDS indicate which input is currently selected.

MONO

The MONO switch is used to make an incoming signal mono or accept one and route it to both outputs of the module. The associated LEDS indicate if mono is currently active and if either left and right inputs are summed or only the left input signal is routed or only the right.

HF

Adjusts high frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 12 kHz shelving.

нмғ

Adjusts high-mid frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 5 kHz bell curve.

LMF

Adjusts low-mid frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 250 Hz bell curve.

ΙF

Adjusts the low frequencies with +/- 12 or 6 dB at 60 Hz shelving.

EQ

The EQ switch toggles equalization on and off.

GROUPS

These leds indicate if and to which stereo GROUP this module is currently assigned.

PROG

The PROG switch assigns the signal in stereo to the PROG output.

SUB

+

ON

The SUB switch assigns the signal in stereo to the SUB output, where the SUB control adjusts the amount of signal send to the SUB output just like an AUX send.



AUX1

The AUX1 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 1 bus.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 2 bus.

PAN

Allows adjustment between the left and right channel outputs.

COMM

The COMM switch enables communication between this channel and anyone who has access to the COMM bus at the same time.

VCA

These leds indicate if and which VCA master currently controls this module.

The VCA led gives an indication of the amplitude of VCA control voltage.

CUE/SEL

CUE/SEL allows pre-fade listening of the channel with the fader closed.

The CUE switch also acts as a SEL(ECT) switch for the assignment of the module to a stereo GROUP or VCA master.

In configuration mode this switch is used to program the modules id.

FADER

The linear fader controls a VCA and thereby the module's overall level.

The four leds next to the channel fader give an indication of the incoming signal level.

<u>ON</u>

Channel ON/OFF switch. The associated LED will light when the ON switch is active.

RIAA Plug-in PCB

Optionally a RIAA Plug-in PCB can be inserted into the signal path of LINE B to connect a gramophone player directly to the input.

6.1 General Purpose Input / Output

The module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All the general purpose inputs and outputs are under software control and can be used in various ways.

ON, CUE, COMM switches and fader functionality can be set-up to trigger one or multiple GPO's on the module, studio-mutes, red-lights and local or global cue-resets.

GPO's can send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

The module has four GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. By opto isolated relays the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA.

GPI's can be set up to trigger ON, CUE, Cough/Mute and COMM. GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out by itself.

The module has two GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

The module has one MIC GPIO containing a MIC-ON output and a control input on 1 stereo jack. (Tip=LED, Ring=Switch, Sleeve=GND)

All these settings are per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

7 HYBRID Module



TRIM

The TRIM control adjusts the optimum side-tone suppression (RC-balance) and only needs to be adjusted once with installation.

SEND

The SEND control adjusts the outgoing signal to the Caller.

GAIN

The GAIN control adjusts the incoming signal level on the HYBRID and LINE input.

INPUT

The INPUT switch allows the user to switch input between the internal hybrid and an external line in. The associated led indicates which input is currently selected.

INSERT

The INSERT switch inserts an external device into the signal path.

<u>HC</u>

The HC control adjusts the 12 dB per octave high cut filter in a range from 1 kHz to off.

<u>LC</u>

The LC control adjusts the 12 dB per octave low cut filter in a range from off to 500 Hz.

FILTER

The FILTER led indicates whether the HC/LC filters are on or off.

GROUPS

These leds indicate if and to which stereo GROUP this module is assigned.

PROG

The PROG switch assigns the signal in stereo to the PROG output.

SUB

The SUB switch assigns the signal in stereo to the SUB output.

AUX1

The AUX1 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 1 bus.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 2 bus.

<u>Pan</u>

Allows adjustment between the left and right channel outputs.

COMM

The COMM switch enables communication between this channel and anyone who has access to the COMM bus at the same time.

VCA

These leds indicate if and which VCA master controls this module.

The VCA led gives an indication of the VCA control voltage.





CUE/SEL

Stereo pre-fade listening; allows pre-fade listening of the channel with the fader closed. The CUE switch also acts as a SEL(ECT) switch for the assignment of the module to a stereo GROUP or VCA master.

In configuration mode, this switch is used to program the modules id.

<u> PK</u>

The PK led acts as a peak led on the input signal.

FADER

The linear fader controls a VCA and the module's overall level.

ON

Channel ON/OFF switch. The associated LED will light when the ON switch is active.

7.1 General Purpose Input / Output

This module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All the general purpose in and outputs are under software control and can be used in various ways.

ON, CUE, COMM switches and fader functionality can be set-up to trigger one or multiple GPO's on the module, studio-mutes, red lights and local or global cue-resets.

GPO's can send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

The module has two GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's connect to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. By way of opto-isolated relays, the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA.

GPI's can be set up to trigger ON, CUE, Cough/Mute and COMM. GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out on itself.

The module has three GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel two GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

The third GPI is an internal GPI, which signals when someone is trying to call you.

All these settings are programmed per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

8 TELCO/DIGITAL Module



SEND

The SEND control adjusts the outgoing signal level at the SEND A and SEND B outputs.

GAIN

The GAIN control adjusts the incoming signal level on LINE A and LINE B.

INPUT

The INPUT switch allows the user to switch input between LINE A and LINE B. The associated LEDS indicate which input is currently selected.

MONO

The MONO switch can be used to make an incoming signal mono or accept one and route it to both outputs of the module. The associated LEDS indicate if the mono switch is currently active and if either left and right inputs are summed, only the left input signal is routed through, or only the right.

HF

Adjusts high frequencies with +/- 12 or +/-6 dB at 10 kHz shelving.

ΜF

Adjusts high-mid frequencies with +/- 12 or +/-6 dB at 1 kHz bell curve.

LF

Adjusts the low frequencies with +/- 12 or +/-6 dB at 60 Hz shelving.

EG

The EQ led indicates whether equalization is on or off.

GROUPS

These leds indicate if and to which stereo GROUP this module is assigned.

PROG

The PROG switch assigns the signal in stereo to the PROG output.

SUB

The SUB switch assigns the signal in stereo to the SUB output.

AUX1

The AUX1 control adjusts the amount of signal sent to the stereo AUX 1 bus.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the amount of signal sent to the stereo AUX 2 bus.

<u>PAN</u>

Allows adjustment between the left and right channel outputs.

COMM

The COMM switch enables communication between this channel and anyone who has access to the COMM bus at the same time.

VCA

These leds indicate if and by which VCA master this module is currently controlled. The VCA led gives an indication of the amplitude of the VCA control voltage.





CUE/SEL

CUE/SEL allows for pre-fade listening of the channel with the fader closed.

The CUE switch also acts as a SEL(ECT) switch for the assignment of the module to a stereo GROUP or VCA Master.

In configuration mode this switch is used to program the modules identity.

<u> PK</u>

The PK led acts as a peak led on the input signal.

FADER

The linear fader controls a VCA and thereby the module's overall level.

ON

Channel ON/OFF switch. The associated LED will light when the ON switch is active.

8.1 General Purpose Input / Output

The module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All general purpose in and outputs are under software control and can be used in various ways.

ON, CUE, COMM switches and fader functionality can be set-up to trigger one or multiple GPO's on the module, studio-mutes, red lights and local or global cue-resets.

GPO's can send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

The module has four GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

Opto isolated relays in the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA.

GPI's can be set up to trigger ON, CUE, Cough/Mute and COMM. GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out by itself.

The module has four GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

All these settings are per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

9 GROUP Module



9.1 The GROUP Section

METER TRIM

The METER TRIM controls adjust the calibration of the 10 SEGMENT METER bars.

10 SEGMENT METER

The 10 SEGMENT METER bars indicate the outgoing GROUP levels.

INSERT

The INSERT switch positions an external inserted device into or out of the signal path.

EXTERNAL

The EXTERNAL switch brings an external source pre-fader not interrupting the group output. The 10 SEGMENT METER follows this switch, ideal for tape monitoring.

MONO

The MONO switch makes an incoming signal mono or accepts one and route it to both outputs of the module. The associated LEDS indicate if mono is currently active and if either left and right inputs are summed, only the left input signal is routed through, or only the right.

<u>AUX1</u>

The AUX1 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 1 bus.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the amount of signal send to the stereo AUX 2 bus.

PAN

Allows adjustment between the left and right channel outputs.

PROG

The PROG switch assigns the signal in stereo to the PROG output.

SUB

The SUB switch assigns the signal in stereo to the SUB output.

СОММ

The COMM switch enables communication between this channel and anyone who has access to the COMM bus at the same time.

CUE

Stereo pre-fade listening; allows pre-fade listening of the channel with the fader closed.

ON

Channel ON/OFF switch. The associated LED will light when the ON switch is active.

<u> PK</u>

The PK led acts as a peak led on the same signal as the 10 SEGMENT STEREO METER.



FADER

The linear fader controls a VCA and thereby the overall level of this group.

GROUP SETUP

The GROUP SETUP switch enables changing configuration of the GROUP routing. With this switch enabled just click the CUE/SEL switch on the input modules to change which modules should be routed to this GROUP.

9.2 The VCA Section

VCA FDR SETUP

The VCA FDR SETUP switch enables changing configuration of the VCA routing. With this switch enabled simply hit the CUE/SEL switch on the input modules that need control by this VCA MASTER.

REMOTE VCA IN

The REMOTE VCA IN switch enables the use of an external fader to control the VCA fader.

VCA

The VCA led gives an indication of the VCA control voltage sent to the modules assigned to this VCA MASTER.

CUE

The CUE switch activates the CUE switch of all modules connected to this VCA MASTER. In configuration mode, this switch is used to program the modules id.

FADER

The linear fader controls the control voltage sent to all modules connected to this VCA MASTER. The voltage applied to the local VCA depends on both the local fader position and the control voltage applied by the VCA MASTER.

<u>ON</u>

The ON switch act as a master ON switch for all connected modules. Both the local ON switch and the ON switch of the VCA MASTER need to be active for a channel to become active.

9.3 General Purpose Input / Output

The module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All general purpose in and outputs are under software control and can be used in various ways.

ON, CUE, COMM switches and fader functionality can be set to trigger one or multiple GPO's on the module, studio-mutes, red-lights and local or global cue-resets.

GPO's can send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

The module has two GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

Opto isolated relays in the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA.

GPI's can be set up to trigger VCA-Level, ON, CUE, Cough/Mute and COMM. GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out by itself.

The module has three GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

The module has one external VCA Fader input. The external VCA Fader input should be a 10 kOhm linear fader or potentiometer. Connect the two ends of the track to the Tip and Sleeve and the wiper to the Ring.

All these settings are per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

10 MASTER Module



10.1 The PROGRAM Section

METER TRIN

The METER TRIM adjusts the calibration of the 10 SEGMENT METER bars.

10 SEGMENT METER

The 10 SEGMENT METER bars indicate the outgoing PROG level.

PROG INSERT

The PROG INSERT switch inserts an external device in or out of the signal path.

FROM AIR TRIM

The FROM AIR TRIM control adjusts the level of the incoming ON AIR signal.

SUE

The SUB control adjusts the overall level of the SUB output. The associated TB switch enables talkback to the SUB output.

AUX1

The AUX1 control adjusts the overall level of the stereo AUX 1 output. The associated TB switch enables talkback to the stereo AUX 1 output.

AUX2

The AUX2 control adjusts the overall level of the stereo AUX 2 output. The associated TB switch enables talkback to the stereo AUX 2 output.

SIF

The SIP switch enables a SOLO IN PLACE mode. This feature transforms the PFL function of the CUE system into a Solo In Place system.

FROM COMM

The FROM COMM switch connects the output of the COMM bus to an external CUE speaker.

CUE

The CUE control adjusts the level of the CUE output. The MUTE led will light to indicate that the output is muted by CRM-Mute (depends on software setup).

COMM (RESET)

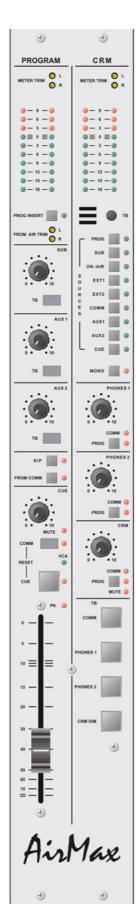
The COMM (RESET) button resets all activated COMM switches in the console.

CUE (RESET)

The CUE (RESET) button resets all activated CUE switches in the console.

VCA

The VCA led gives an indication of the VCA control voltage sent to the modules.



PK

The PK led acts as a peak led on the input signal of the PROG bus.

FADER

The linear fader controls a VCA and thereby the overall level of the PROG output. This fader can be disabled.

10.2 The CRM Section

METER TRIM

The METER TRIM adjusts the calibration of the 10 SEGMENT METERS.

10 SEGMENT METER

The 10 SEGMENT METER indicates the outgoing CRM level.

TΒ

The TB control adjusts the level of the internal electrets TalkBack microphone.

SOURCES

The SOURCE switches select the input signals to the CRM speakers. The Sources select can be latching or interlock.

MONO

The MONO switch changes the selected source into mono.

PHONES 1

The PHONES 1 section controls the PHONES 1 output of this module. The control adjusts the output level. The COMM led indicates if the COMM signal is routed to this output and the PROG switch choses whether the outgoing signal comes from the PROG bus or the CRM module's selected input sources.

The female stereo jack at the front of the frame also outputs this signal.

PHONES 2

The PHONES 2 section controls the PHONES 2 output of this module. The control adjusts the output level. The COMM led indicates if the COMM signal is routed to this output and the PROG switch choses whether the outgoing signal comes from the PROG bus or the CRM module's selected input sources.

CRM

The CRM section controls the CRM output. The control adjusts the output level. The COMM led indicates if the COMM signal is routed to this output and the PROG switch choses whether the outgoing signal comes from the PROG bus or the CRM module's selected input. The MUTE led will light to indicate that the output is muted.

TE

The COMM, PHONES 1, PHONES 2 switches enables Talkback to the associated outputs. The CRM DIM switch attenuates the CRM output by 20 dB when enabled.

10.3 General Purpose Input / Output

This module has several features for remote controlling / signaling. All the general-purpose inputs and outputs are under software control and used in various ways.

Master fader, CUE, COMM, Mutes and source selection can be set-up to trigger GPO's and/or trigger GPI's.

GPO's can send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out by itself.

All these settings are done per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

PROGRAM SECTION

This section has four GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. Opto isolated relays in the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA. GPO1 and GPO2 are triggered by the master fader, where GPO2 outputs the inverted signal from GPO1. GPO3 shows the CUE active state and GPO4 shows the COMM active state.

This section has two GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. The GPI's have a fixed functionality. GPI1 connected to the Remote A jack is programmed to trigger Cue Reset. GPI2 connected to the Remote B jack and triggers COMM Reset.

CUE SECTION

This section has two GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's are connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. By opto isolated relays the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA. The GPO's shows the CRM Mute state. GPO2 outputs the inverted signal from GPO1.

This section has two GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. Both GPI's can trigger the CRM Speaker Mute and/or switching of the modules source input.

11 STUDIO Module



METER TRIM

The METER TRIM adjusts the calibration of the 10 SEGMENT METERS.

10 SEGMENT METER

The 10 SEGMENT METERS indicate the outgoing STUDIO level.

TΒ

The TB trimmer adjusts the level of the internal electret TalkBack microphone.

SOURCES

The SOURCES switches let you choose which source signals is routed to the STUDIO speakers. The Sources select can be latching or interlock.

SELECT

In configuration mode the SELECT switch is used to program the modules id.

<u>MONC</u>

The MONO switch can be used to turn the source select signal of this module into mono.

PHONES A

The PHONES A section controls the PHONES A output. The control adjusts the output level. The COMM. led indicates if the COMM. signal is routed to this output and the PROG switch lets you choose whether the outgoing signal comes from the PROG bus or the STUDIO module's selected input.

PHONES B

The PHONES B section controls the PHONES B output of this module. The control adjusts the output level. The COMM. led indicates if the COMM. signal routes to this output and the PROG switch lets you choose whether the outgoing signal comes from the PROG bus or the STUDIO module's selected input.

STUDIO

The STUDIO section controls the STUDIO output. The control adjusts the output level. The COMM. led indicates if the COMM. signal routes to this output and the PROG switch lets you choose whether the outgoing signal comes from the PROG bus or the STUDIO module's selected input. The MUTE led will light to indicate that the output is muted.

TB

The COMM., PHONES A, PHONES B, STUDIO switches enables Talkback to the associated outputs.

11.1 General Purpose Input / Output

The module has several features for remote controlling/signaling. All general purpose in/outputs are under software control, and can be used in various ways.

Mute, source selection and red light can be set-up to trigger GPO's and/or trigger by GPI's.

GPO's send out a pulse or a continuous signal when triggered. Pulses can be generated by on, off or both.

This module has two GPO's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPO's connect to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring.

The built in Opto isolated relays of the GPO's are able to handle a maximum of 50 V at 200 mA.

The GPO's are designed to signal the studio's red-light. GPO2 outputs the inverted signal from GPO1.

GPI's can be switched between latching or momentary, but when selected the AirMax has the ability to figure this out by itself.

This module has two GPI's. When properly connected to an AirMax patch-panel all GPI's have a 5 V TTL 100 kOhm circuitry connected to one of the Remote jack connectors between the Tip and Ring. Both GPI's can be programmed to trigger the Studio Speaker Mute and/or switching the modules source input.

All these settings are done per individual input, serving different purposes depending on the current audio source.

12 Back Panel Of The Frame

The back of the frame houses all module connections and a set of fixed connections for the AirMax. Almost all connections use standard RJ45 network connectors. Standard (straight) STP cable is used to connect the AirMax frame to the AirMax patch panel. I this way less cables are needed and lower costs per meter reduces overall costs of the installation.

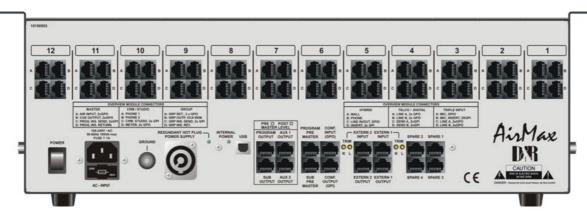


Figure 1: AirMax Back Panel

POWER

At the lower left of the back panel, there is an on/off switch and a power inlet for the internal power supply. Next to the power inlet, there is the ground connector of the console, which is used as a central star ground point for the studio. The neighboring inlet lets you connect a redundant power supply. This redundant extra power supply is hot pluggable. Two green leds indicate which power supply is currently used by the console.

USB

The USB connector controls the internal circuitry of the AirMax. Almost every function of the AirMax can be controlled using dedicated software supplied with the console running on a standalone PC. Remote control and external read-outs of fader-positions, switch positions and various meter options are visible on screen.

PROGRAM / SUB / AUX 1 / AUX 2 OUTPUTS

These outputs send out the signals as suggested by their names. The program section of the master module houses the overall level controls of these stereo busses. By means of jumper settings a selection can be made to output the signals pre or post of their level-control, however the post option is only available when a master module is inserted in the same frame.

PROGRAM PRE MASTER / SUB PRE MASTER

These outputs send out the prog(ram) and sub signals but always pre of their level control.

CONF. INPUT / CONF. OUTPUT

The CONF. INPUT and CONF. OUTPUT allow external equipment to take part of the communication chain.

EXTERN 1/2

The EXTERN 1 and EXTERN 2 inputs allow 2 external stereo sources to be connected to the console. A left and right trimmer allow for small gain adjustments. The EXTERN 1 and EXTERN 2 outputs are directly wired to the inputs allowing a second device to be fed with the same signal.

SPARE 1/2/3/4

These connectors are spares for special options.

MODULE CONNECTORS

The top row of the back panel houses all module connectors. Every module has a set of four RJ45 type connectors. The purpose of every connector is different for every type of module. An overview can be seen below.

There are two exceptions on the RJ45 cabling principle of the AirMax. A telephone plug can be inserted directly into the HYBRID module's WALL and PHONE connectors. Since a RJ11 telephone plug fits inside a RJ45 connector the internal wiring has been fitted in such a way that no extra cables are necessary to connect a phone or wall socket to the AirMax.

As for the CRM module, a female jack is mounted at the front side of the AirMax frame. This connector is wired in a way that it outputs the Phones 1 signal of the module.

MASTER	CRM / STUDIO	GROUP
A: AIR INPUT, 2x GPO	A: PHONE 1	A: GRP RET., 2x GPO
B: CUE OUTPUT, 2x GPO	B: PHONE 2	B: GRP OUTP, VCA REM.
C: PROG. INS. SEND, 2x GPI	C: CRM, STUDIO, 2x GPI	C: GRP INS. SEND, 2x GPI
D: PROG. INS. RETURN	D: METER, 2x GPO	D: GRP INS. RET.
HYBRID	TELCO / DIGITAL	TRIPLE INPUT
A: WALL	A: LINE A, 2x GPIO	A: MIC. GPIO
B: PHONE	B: LINE B, 2x GPO	B: MIC. INSERT, 2x GPI
C: LINE IN/OUT, GPIO	C: SEND A, 2x GPI	C: LINE A, 2x GPO
D: INSERT, 2x GPI	D: SEND B, 2x GPI	D: LINE B, 2x GPO

Table 1: Overview Of Module Connectors

13 Patch Panels

There are three kind of patch panels available for the AirMax.

The Mic I/O, Line I/O Jack and Line I/O XLR.

The Line I/O XLR is available in three flavors.

One with female XLR, one with male XLR and one with male/female XLR in a mixed configuration.

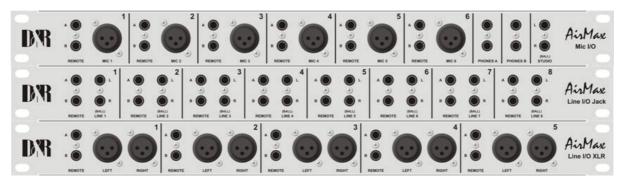


Figure 2: AirMax Patch Panels

REMOTE

The remote jacks connect all kinds of remote input/output. Think about remote start/stop, external red lights, cough, external VCA-fader. The function of the remote jack depends on the module it is connected to.

MIC

The MIC inputs connect microphones to the AirMax. If the connected module in the AirMax frame supports phantom power, the microphone input drives a condenser microphone with 48 volts.

PHONES

The Phones jacks connect headphones to the AirMax console. The PHONES A and PHONES B female jack outputs all carry a stereo headphones signal. The phones connection connects to the STUDIO or CRM module.

STUDIO

The STUDIO outputs are a pair of balanced female jack connectors. The Studio connector connects to the STUDIO or CRM module. The upper connector transfers the left part of the stereo signal and the bottom connector the right part. These outputs need to be connected to an external amplifier driving speakers.

LINE/LEFT/RIGHT

Where the Line I/O Jack patchpanel houses female jack connecters, the Line I/O XLR patch panel houses XLR type connectors. Both jack and XLR panels use balanced inputs and/or outputs depending on how the connection to the AirMax frame is done. The same connectors are used for modules supporting external devices to be inserted into their signal path. All inserts on the AirMax are balanced, meaning there are separate send/return connectors. Transformer balancing is optional on the Line I/O XLR patch panel.

Additional:

When a LINE connects to a triple input module with a RIAA plug-in PCB in place, a gramophone player can be used on the LINE B inputs unbalanced.

When a LINE input connects to a TELCO/DIGITAL module the line connectors can be used to pass digital signals if the module is configured to do so.

14 Wiring

14.1 Back Panel Fixed Connections



Figure 3: RJ45 / Ethernet Connector

PROGRAM OUTPUT, SUB OUTPUT, AUX 1 OUTPUT, AUX 2 OUTPUT, PROGRAM PRE MASTER, SUB PRE MASTER, CONF. INPUT, CONF. OUTPUT, EXTERN 1 INPUT, EXTERN 2 OUTPUT

Pin 1	Pin 2	Pin 3	Pin 4	Pin 5	Pin 6	Pin 7	Pin 8	Shield
Left (Hot)	Left (Cold)	Right (Hot)	nc	nc	Right (Cold)	nc	nc	gnd

Table 2: Fixed Connections wiring

14.2 Back Panel Module Connections



Figure 4: RJ45 / Ethernet Connector

MASTER MODULE

	Α	В	С	D
Pin 1	Air Input Left (Hot)	Cue Left (Hot)	Insert Send Left (Hot)	Insert Return Left (Hot)
Pin 2	Air Input Left (Cold)	Cue Left (Cold)	Insert Send Left (Cold)	Insert Return Left (Cold)
Pin 3	Air Input Right (Hot)	Cue Right (Hot)	Insert Send Right (Hot)	Insert Return Right (Hot)
Pin 4	GPO 1	GPO 3	GPI 1 -	nc
Pin 5	GPO 1	GPO 3	GPI 1 +	nc
Pin 6	Air Input Right (Cold)	Cue Right (Cold)	Insert Send Right (Cold)	Insert Return Right (Cold)
Pin 7	GPO 2	GPO 4	GPI 2 +	nc
Pin 8	GPO 2	GPO 4	GPI 2 -	nc
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 3: Master Module wiring

CRM / STUDIO MODULE

	Α	В	С	D
Pin 1	Phones 1/A Left	Phones 2/B Left	Crm / Studio Left (Hot)	Meter Left
Pin 2	Phones 1/A Right	Phones 2/B Right	Crm / Studio Left (Cold)	gnd
Pin 3	Phones 2/B Left	Phones 1/A Left	Crm / Studio Right (Hot)	Meter Right
Pin 4	nc	nc	GPI 1	GPO 1
Pin 5	nc	nc	GPI 1	GPO 1
Pin 6	Phones 2/B Right	Phones 1/A Right	Crm / Studio Right (Cold)	gnd
Pin 7	nc	nc	GPI 2	GPO 2
Pin 8	nc	nc	GPI 2	GPO 2
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 4: CRM / Studio Module wiring



Figure 5: RJ45 / Ethernet Connector

GROUP MODULE

	Α	В	С	D
Pin 1	External Left (Hot)	Group Left (Hot)	Insert Send Left (Hot)	Insert Return Left (Hot)
Pin 2	External Left (Cold)	Group Left (Cold)	Insert Send Left (Cold)	Insert Return Left (Cold)
Pin 3	External Right (Hot)	Group Right (Hot)	Insert Send Right (Hot)	Insert Right (Hot)
Pin 4	GPO 1	VCA Fader (-	GPI 1 -	nc
		/wiper)		
Pin 5	GPO 1	VCA Fader +	GPI 1 +	nc
Pin 6	External Right (Cold)	Group Right (Cold)	Insert Send Right (Cold)	Insert Right (Cold)
Pin 7	GPO 2	GPI VCA +	GPI 2 +	nc
Pin 8	GPO 2	GPI VCA -	GPI 2 -	nc
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 5: Group Module wiring

HYBRID MODULE

	Α	В	С	D
Pin 1	nc	nc	Line (Hot)	Insert Return (Hot)
Pin 2	nc	nc	Line (Cold)	Insert Return (Cold)
Pin 3	Wall	Phone	Send (Hot)	Insert Send (Hot)
Pin 4	Wall	Phone	GPO 1	GPI 1 -
Pin 5	Wall	Phone	GPO 1	GPI 1 +
Pin 6	Wall	Phone	Send (Cold)	Insert Send (Cold)
Pin 7	nc	nc	GPO 2	GPI 2 +
Pin 8	nc	nc	GPO 2	GPI 2 -
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 6: Hybrid Module wiring

TELCO / DIGITAL MODULE

	Α	В	С	D
Pin 1	Line A Left (Hot)	Line B Left (Hot)	Send A Left (Hot)	Send B Left (Hot)
Pin 2	Line A Left (Cold)	Line B Left (Cold)	Send A Left (Cold)	Send B Left (Cold)
Pin 3	Line A Right (Hot)	Line B Right (Hot)	Send A Right (Hot)	Send B Right (Hot)
Pin 4	GPO 1-A	GPO 1-B	GPI 1 -	GPI 3 -
Pin 5	GPO 1-A	GPO 1-B	GPI 1 +	GPI 3 +
Pin 6	Line A Right (Cold)	Line B Right (Cold)	Send A Right (Cold)	Send B Right (Cold)
Pin 7	GPO 2-A	GPO 2-B	GPI 2 +	GPI 4 +
Pin 8	GPO 2-A	GPO 2-A	GPI 2 -	GPI 4 -
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 7: Telco / Digital Module wiring



Figure 6: RJ45 / Ethernet Connector

TRIPLE ON-AIR INPUT MODULE

	Α	В	С	D
Pin 1	MIC (Hot)	Insert Return (Hot)	Line A Left (Hot)	Line B Left (Hot)
Pin 2	MIC (Cold)	Insert Return (Cold)	Line A Left (Cold)	Line B Left (Cold)
Pin 3	3 nc Insert Send (Hot) L		Line A Right (Hot)	Line B Right (Hot)
Pin 4	GPI MIC	nc	GPO 1-A	GPO 1-B
Pin 5	MIC On Led	nc	GPO 1-A	GPO 1-B
Pin 6	nc	Insert Send (Cold)	Line A Right (Cold)	Line B Right (Cold)
Pin 7	nc	nc	GPO 2-A	GPO 2-B
Pin 8	nc	nc	GPO 2-A	GPO 2-A
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 8: Triple ON-AIR Module wiring

TRIPLE (PRO) INPUT MODULE

	Α	В	C	D
Pin 1	MIC (Hot)	Insert Return (Hot)	Line A Left (Hot)	Line B Left (Hot)
Pin 2	MIC (Cold)	Insert Return (Cold)	Line A Left (Cold)	Line B Left (Cold)
Pin 3	nc	Insert Send (Hot)	Line A Right (Hot)	Line B Right (Hot)
Pin 4	GPI MIC	GPI 1 -	GPO 1-A	GPO 1-B
Pin 5	MIC On Led	GPI 1 +	GPO 1-A	GPO 1-B
Pin 6	nc	Insert Send (Cold)	Line A Right (Cold)	Line B Right (Cold)
Pin 7	GPO MIC	GPI 2 +	GPO 2-A	GPO 2-B
Pin 8	GPO MIC	GPI 2 -	GPO 2-A	GPO 2-A
Shield	gnd	gnd	gnd	gnd

Table 9: Triple (Pro) Module wiring

14.3 Patch Panels









Figure 7: XLR Male Connector

Figure 8: XLR Female Connector

Figure 9: RJ45 / Ethernet Connector



Figure 10: Mic I/O Patch Panel

REMO	TE / MIC		PHONES / STUDIO			
	Remote A	Remote B	MIC	L/Top	R / Bottom	2PL 1/2
Pin 1			Pin 2 (Hot)	Tip (Hot)		
Pin 2			Pin 3 (Cold)	Ring (Cold)		
Pin 3					Tip (Hot)	
Pin 4	Ring (GPIO)					2PL1 Pin 2
Pin 5	Tip (GPIO)					2PL1 Pin 2
Pin 6					Ring (Cold)	
Pin 7		Tip (GPIO)				2PL2 Pin 2
Pin 8		Ring (GPIO)				2PL2 Pin 1
Shield	Sleeve (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)	Pin 1 (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)	

Table 10: Mic I/O Patch Panel wiring

Note: The two 2PL 2 pins headers are placed on the PCB of the patch panel.

The 2PL 1 is placed nearest to the connectors.

Both headers are used for GPI/O purposes and are similar to the Remote A and Remote B connectors.



Figure 11: Line I/O Jack Patch Panel

REMOTE / LINE							
	Remote A	Remote B	Line L	Line R			
Pin 1			Tip (Hot)				
Pin 2			Ring (Cold)				
Pin 3				Tip (Hot)			
Pin 4	Ring (GPO/GPI)						
Pin 5	Tip (GPO/GPI)						
Pin 6				Ring (Cold)			
Pin 7		Tip (GPO/GPI)					
Pin 8		Ring (GPO/GPI)					
Shield	Sleeve (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)			

Table 11: Line I/O Jack Patch Panel wiring



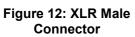




Figure 13: XLR Female Connector



XLR Pin 1 Ground Pin 2 Hot Pin 3 Cold

Figure 14: RJ45 / **Ethernet Connector**



Figure 15: Line I/O XLR Patch Panel

REMOTE / LEFT / RIGHT							
	Remote A	Remote B	LEFT	RIGHT			
Pin 1			Pin 2 (Hot)				
Pin 2			Pin 3 (Cold)				
Pin 3				Pin 2 (Hot)			
Pin 4	Ring (GPO/GPI)						
Pin 5	Tip (GPO/GPI)						
Pin 6				Pin 3 (Cold)			
Pin 7		Tip (GPO/GPI)					
Pin 8		Ring (GPO/GPI)					
Shield	Sleeve (Gnd)	Sleeve (Gnd)	Pin 1 (Gnd)	Pin 1 (Gnd)			

Table 12: Line I/O XLR Patch Panel wiring

15 Jumper Settings

15.1 TRIPLE ON-AIR Input Module

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Phantom Power	J1	1+2 = Off	3+4 = On
Low Cut	J12	1+2 = Off	3+4 = On
Aux1 Pre/Post	J5 / J8	1+1 / 4+4 = Pre	2+2 / 3+3 = Post
Aux2 Pre/Post	J2 / J9	1+1 / 4+4 = Pre	2+2 / 3+3 = Post
RIAA Plug-in PCB	J10 / J11	3+4: Should be jumpered	if option not installed

Table 13: Triple ON-AIR Module jumper settings

15.2 TRIPLE (PRO) Input Module

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Group Pre/Post	J1	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Post
Aux2 Pre/Post	J2	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Post
RIAA Plug-in PCB	J10 / J11	3+4: Should be jumpered	if option not installed

Table 14: Triple (Pro) Module Jumper Settings

15.3 HYBRID Module

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Group Pre/Post	J1	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Post
Aux2 Pre/Post	J2	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Post
Insert Hybrid/Line	J6	1+2 = Hybrid	3+4 = Line

Table 15: Hybrid Module Jumper Settings

15.4 TELCO/DIGITAL Module

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Group Pre/Post	J2	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Post
Aux2 Pre/Post	J3	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Post

Table 16: Telco / Digital Module Jumper Settings

15.5 GROUP Module

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Group Signal Source	J1	1+2 / 3+4 = GRP1	5+6 / 7+8 = GRP2
		9+10 / 11+12 = GRP3	13+14 / 15+16 = GRP4
Aux2 Pre/Post	J2	1+2 / 7+8 = Pre	3+4 / 5+6 = Pre

Table 17: Group Module Jumper Settings

15.6 CRM/STUDIO Module

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Sources Prog Pre/Post	J19 / J20	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	2+3 / 2+3 = Post
Sources Sub Pre/Post	J21 / J22	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	2+3 / 2+3 = Post
Sources Aux1 Pre/Post	J23 / J28	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	2+3 / 2+3 = Post
Sources Aux2 Pre/Post	J29 / J31	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	2+3 / 2+3 = Post

Table 18: CRM / Studio Module Jumper Settings

Note: The pre signals are only available in the frame where the Master Module is installed.

If multiple AirMax's are linked together post should be selected in all frames without a Master Module present.

15.7 Back Panel

Options	Jumpers	Settings	Settings
Group Bus	J40	1+2 / 3+4 = GRP1	5+6 / 7+8 = GRP2
Terminators		9+10 / 11+12 = GRP3	13+14 / 15+16 = GRP4
Program Pre/Post	J41 / J43	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	3+4 / 3+4 = Post
Sub Pre/Post	J42 / J44	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	3+4 / 3+4 = Post
Aux1 Pre/Post	J46 / J48	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	3+4 / 3+4 = Post
Aux2 Pre/Post	J45 / J47	1+2 / 1+2 = Pre	3+4 / 3+4 = Post

Table 19: Back Panel Jumper Settings

Note: If there's no group module set up to receive the signal of a certain group bus, this bus should be terminated by placing jumpers.

The pre signal for Program, Sub, Aux1, Aux2 is only available in the frame where the Master Module is installed. If multiple AirMax's are linked together post should be selected in all frames without a Master Module present.

15.8 LINE I/O XLR Patch Panel

Options	Jumpers	Settings
Transformer	J17 / J18 / J19 / J20 / J21 / J22 / J23 /	1+2 / 4+5: Should be jumpered if
balancing	J24 / J25 / J26	option not installed

Table 20: Line I/O XLR Patch Panel Jumper Settings

16 AirMax Software

16.1 Installation

The AirMax software comes on a CD-ROM. Please run the setup.exe file to begin the installation. During setup, you can choose the path for the installation directory. During the installation process, a program folder is created together with a desktop icon. From these locations, you can start the application.



Figure 16: AirMax Software Overview

The main screen of the AirMax software gives you an overview of all installed modules. If no modules apart from the Master module are displayed, the application cannot find the AirMax. Make sure your AirMax is properly connected to the computer and turned on <u>before</u> the software application is started. If no modules are displayed reboot the application.

With the modules overview you can monitor activities and remote control your AirMax. The blue arrow, located at the top right of every module, rolls out an options panel where you can program, per input configuration, several switches, functions and GPIO's. Inputs can be labeled for a better overview and advanced communication settings can be made.

Directly above the modules there's a top bar where you can choose to display additional components. There's a clock which display's the current time of your computer and below that are the red light indicators.

There are three Meter options.

A right mouse click on a meter gives you the option to change the meter type.

Right clicking a meters label gives you the option of changing the meter's source.

Every control has a handle bar at it's left side. Move your mouse here and hold down the left mouse button to drag the control to a different location on the top bar.

Under the "View => Top bar" menu, you can select which elements should be displayed. If none of the available elements are selected the top bar simply is removed from the screen.

Under the "View" menu, you have the option to show 2 additional meter windows.

These are very similar to the meters on the top bar, but slightly larger and also displaying a large clock.

Under the "File" menu you can open and save a preset files. In this way it's very easy to recall the AirMax settings for different studio setups, engineers and programs.

17 Specifications

INPUTS

MIC inputs : Electronically balanced, 2kOhm, -128dBr (+/- 40dB of gain range plus 30dB of trim

range)

Line inputs: Electronically balanced, 10kOhm, +/- 20dB of gain range

TELCO input (XLR): Electronically balanced, 10kOhm, 0dBu nominal

CMRR MIC inputs: 85dB @ 1kHz, maximum gain CMRR Line inputs: 30dB @ 1kHz, maximum gain Transformer balancing is optional on the patch panels

EQUALISATION

HF: +/- 6/12 dB (switchable) @ 10kHz shelving

HF : +/- 6/12 dB (switchable) @ 12kHz shelving (Triple Pro only)

HMF : +/- 6/12 dB (switchable) @ 5kHz bell curve (Triple Pro only)

LMF : +/- 6/12 dB (switchable) @ 250Hz bell curve (Triple Pro only)

MF : +/- 6/12 dB (switchable) @ 1kHz bell curve LF : +/- 6/12 dB (switchable) @ 60Hz shelving

Low Cut: 80Hz, 12dB per octave (MIC only)

Low Cut : off to 500Hz, 12 dB per octave (Hybrid only)
High Cut : 1kHz to off, 12 dB per octave (Hybrid only)

OUTPUTS

All outputs are electronically balanced on +6dBu Transformer balancing is optional on our patch panels

OVERALL

Frequency response : 20 - 20.000 Hz +/- 0.5dB **Harmonic distortion** : 0.035% (VCA in, 2nd harm)

Crosstalk : less than -90dBr

Noise : -86dBr

Headroom : 22dB internal, 20dB on outputs

Mix-Minus rejection : -60dB @ 1kHz Channel fader attenuation : 100dB @ 1kHz

REMOTES

All GPO's are by opto isolated relays able to handle a maximum of

50V at 200mA

All GPI's have a 5voltTTL 100kOhm circuitry GPIO-MIC has a 5V/600Ohm LED driver circuit

DIMENSIONS

Frame-12 is 12HE (for split operational use)

This frame has 12 module positions.

Drop through hole: 529mm (depth) 438mm (width)

Patch panels are 1HE

OPTIONS

Redundant power supply per frame.

18 Sico Remote Unit

The AirMax Sico Remote unit is designed to be the communication interface between the control room and the announcer or guest. It has a built in headphones amp, a remote connection to be wired to the related AirMax channel, and a very convenient CHOUGH/COMMUNICATION button.

The Sico Remote unit can be wired to the AirMax in two ways. The first option is to connect a shielded RJ45 cable directly to the related AirMax input module. If the RJ45 connectors is not used directly the second option is to use one of the AirMax patch panels to connect the unit by means of a stereo jack cable between the Remote connector of the unit and the MIC GPIO connector on the patch panel. In the last case the MIC input on the Sico Remote unit cannot be used and the microphone should be connected directly to the AirMax patch panel.

We shall describe all functions in detail now.

COUGH/SIGNALLING IN MIC MODE

This useful feature has two important functions:

- 1. Cough/communication,
- 2. 'MIC-on'

1. Cough/Communication,

Using the push-button during broadcast, the announcer can temporarily mute the microphone in order to cough (where the name comes from). At the same time, his microphone is routed to the cue system, in order to give him the opportunity to communicate with anyone being on the communication bus.

2. 'MIC-on',

When the channel is active a voltage is applied which is used to activate a LED (red) (in this case the internal LED of the SiCo remote unit).

The AUDIO INPUT 1/2 RJ45 connector on the Sico Remote unit is connected to one of the AirMax phones outputs directly. The CRM and Studio module both have 2 phones outputs which both output the PHONES 1/A and PHONES 2/B signal. Jumpers in the Sico Remote unit are placed to select which signal is to be passed on to the unit. If the Sico Remote unit cannot be connected to the AirMax by means of RJ45 cabling the AUDIO INPUT stereo jack of the unit can be connected to a phones output on one of the AirMax patch panels.

Both RJ45 THRU connectors on the Sico Remote unit are connected in parallel to the input connectors to simplify wiring when more than one unit is in use.

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21 Declaration Of Conformity

DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

Manufacturers Name: **D&R Electronica Weesp B.V.**

Manufacturers Address: Rijnkade 15B

1382 GS Weesp The Netherlands

Declares that the product

AirMax series

conforms to the following product specifications:

EMC: NEN-EN 55103-1 **1995**

NEN-EN 55103-2 **1995** NEN-EN 55013-1 **1994**

Supplementary Information:

The product herewith complies with the requirements of the EMC Directive 89/336/EEC (1989) as amended by the CE Marking Directive 93/68/EEC (1993).

D&R Electronica Weesp B.V.

Rijnkade 15 B 1382 GS WEESP The Netherlands

President of Engineering

(*) The product is tested in a normal user environment.

22 Product Safety

This product is manufactured with the highest standards and is double-checked in our quality control department for reliability in the "HIGH VOLTAGE" section.

CAUTION

Never remove any panels, or open this equipment. No user serviceable parts inside.

Equipment power supply must be grounded at all times.

Only use this product as described, in user manual or brochure.

Do not operate this equipment in high humidity or expose it to water or other liquids.

Check the AC power supply cable to assure secure contact.

Have your equipment checked yearly by a qualified dealer service center.

Hazardous electrical shock can be avoided by carefully following the above rules.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION VERY CAREFULLY

Especially in sound equipment the following information is essential to know.

Voltage and current cause an electrical shock. Actually it's the current that causes the shock. In practice the higher the voltage the higher the current will be and the higher the shock. But there is another thing to consider and that is resistance. When the resistance in Ohms is high between two poles, the current will be low and visa versa.

All three of these; voltage, current and resistance are important in determining the effect of an electrical shock.

However, the severity of a shock is primarily determined by the amount of current flowing through a person.

A person can feel a shock because the muscles in a body respond to electric current. Current can also be fatal when it causes the chest muscles to contract and stop breathing.

At what potential is current dangerous? Well the first feeling of current is a tingle at 0.001 Amp of current. The current between 0.1 Amp and 0.2 Amp is fatal.

Imagine that your home fuses of 16 Amp can handle 200 times more current than is necessary to kill. How does resistance affect the shock a person feels? A typical resistance between your two hands "dry" condition could be well over 100,000 Ohm. But if your body is transpiring extensively your body resistance is lowered by more than 50%. This is a situation in which current can easily flow.

Current will flow when there is a difference in ground potential between equipment on stage and in the P.A. system. Please do check if there is any potential between the housing of the mics and the guitar synth amps, which will be linked by your body on stage.

Imagine, a guitar in your hand and your lips close to the mic! A ground potential difference of above 10 volts is not unusual. In improperly wired buildings it can possibly be as high as 240 volts. Although removing the ground wire sometimes cures a system hum, it'll create a very hazardous situation for the performing musician.

Always earth all your equipment by the grounding pin in your main plug. Hum loops should only be cured by proper wiring and isolation input/output transformers.

Always replace fuses with the same type and rating after the equipment has been turned off and unplugged. If the fuse blows again you have an equipment failure. Do not use it again and return it to your dealer for repair.

And last but not least be careful not to touch a person being shocked as you, yourself could also be shocked. Once removed from the shock, have someone send for medical help immediately!

Always keep the above-mentioned information in mind when using electrically powered equipment.

Dear AirMax owner,

In this manual we have tried to give you an overview of all that the AirMax has to offer. As it is our policy to continuously improve on our products, this manual will be updated regularly. Please visit our web site http://www.d-r.nl to download the latest version of this manual. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us. We wish you many years of enjoyable mixing.

Best regards,

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